



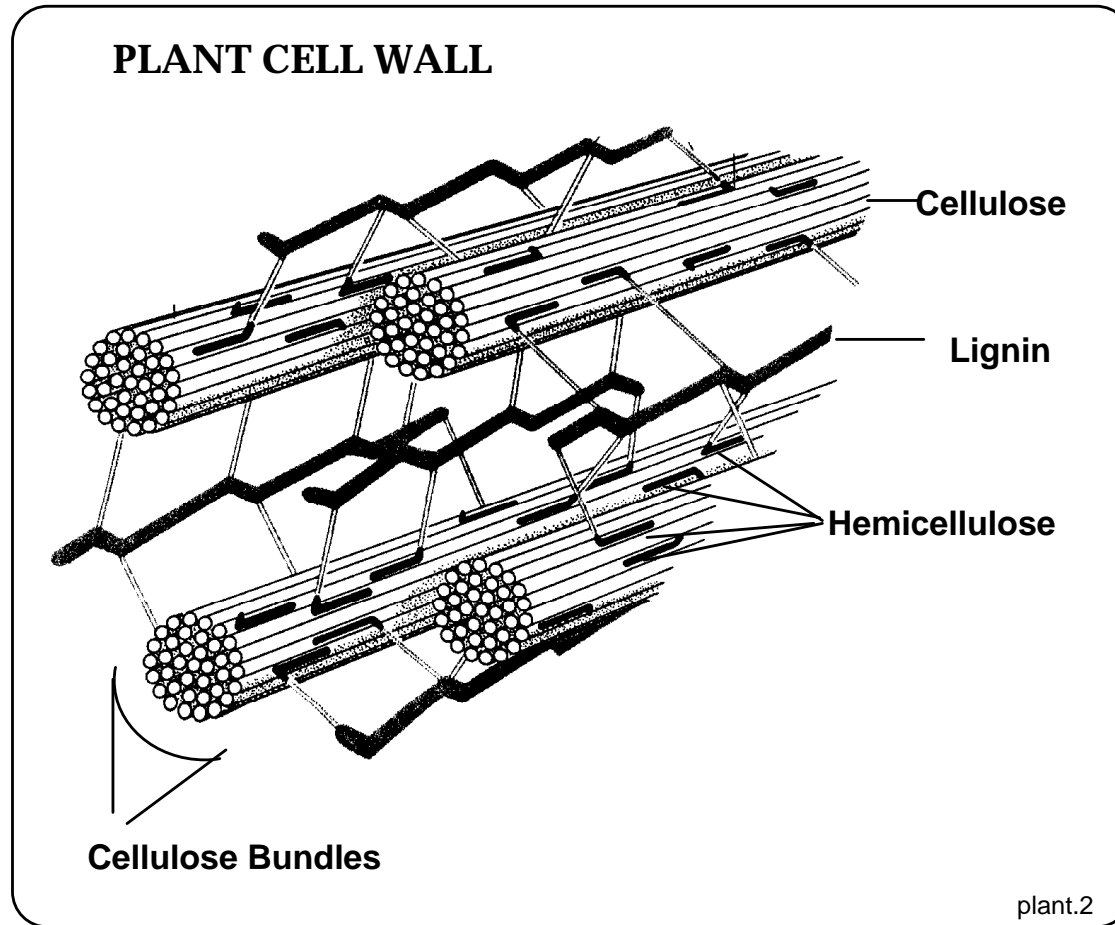
- The 'Aina Institute is a 501 (C) (3) Non-Profit Organization
- Established in 1991
- **GOAL**
- Developing sustainable technology in food production and energy production.
  - Education ,
  - Research,
  - Demonstration ,
  - Technology Transfer
  - Development,

Activities include the application of bioconversion technologies to meet local needs for food, water and energy while maintaining or improving the quality of the environment.

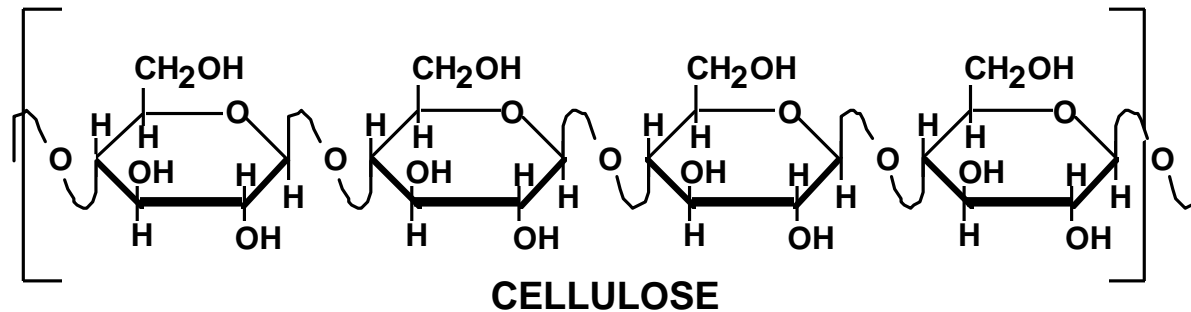
**This is a discussion about:**  
**ETHANOL TECHNOLOGY**  
**&**  
**“Waste Our Most Sustainable Resource”**

**Wasting Waste is Wasteful !**

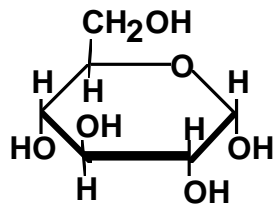
## BIOMASS – ETHANOL BACKGROUND



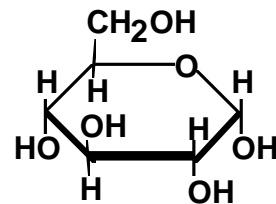
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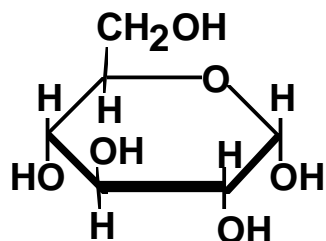


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# Sugar Fermentation



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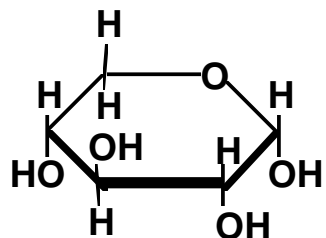
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(2) ETHANOL

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(2) CARBON DIOXIDE



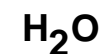
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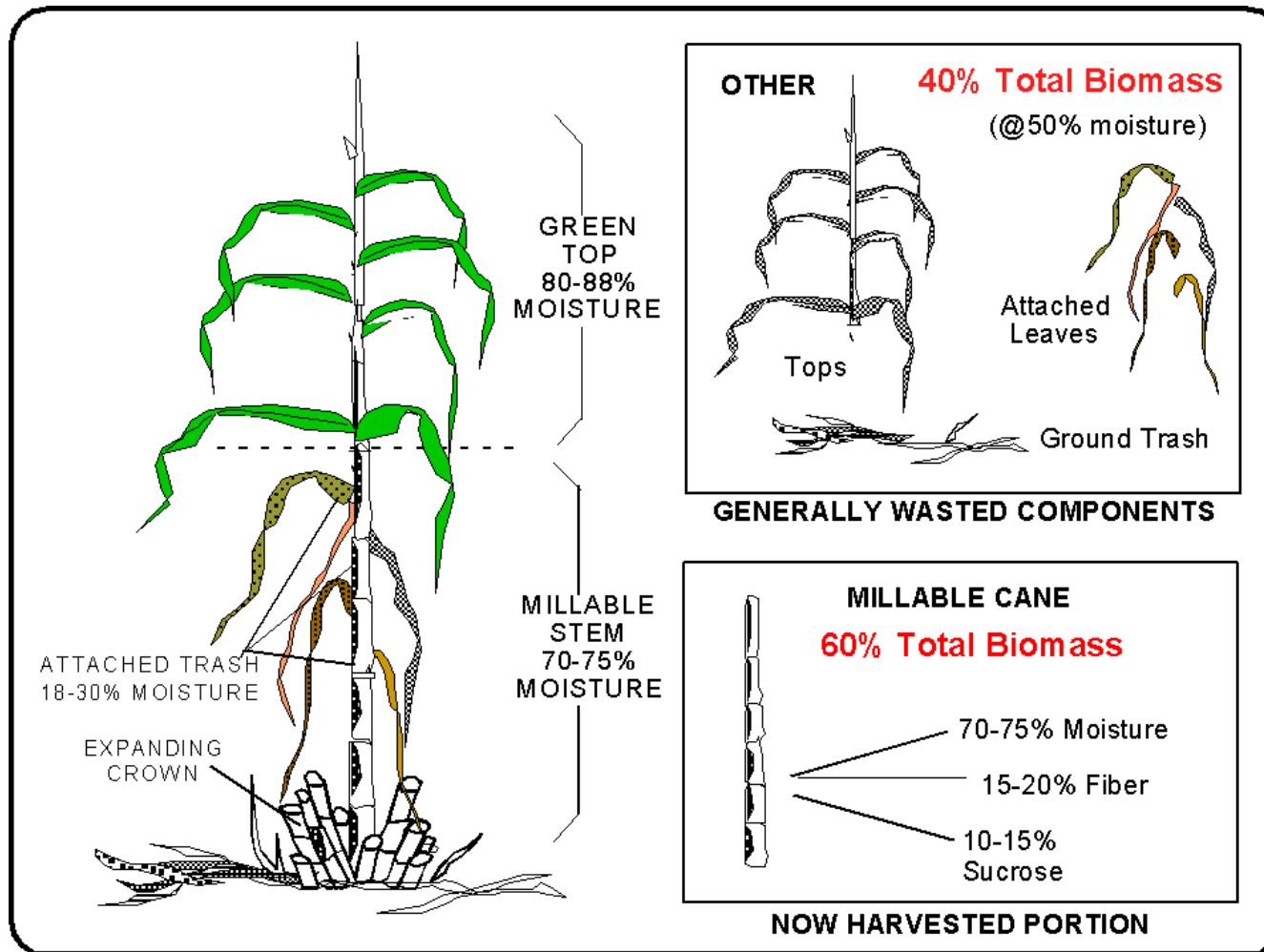
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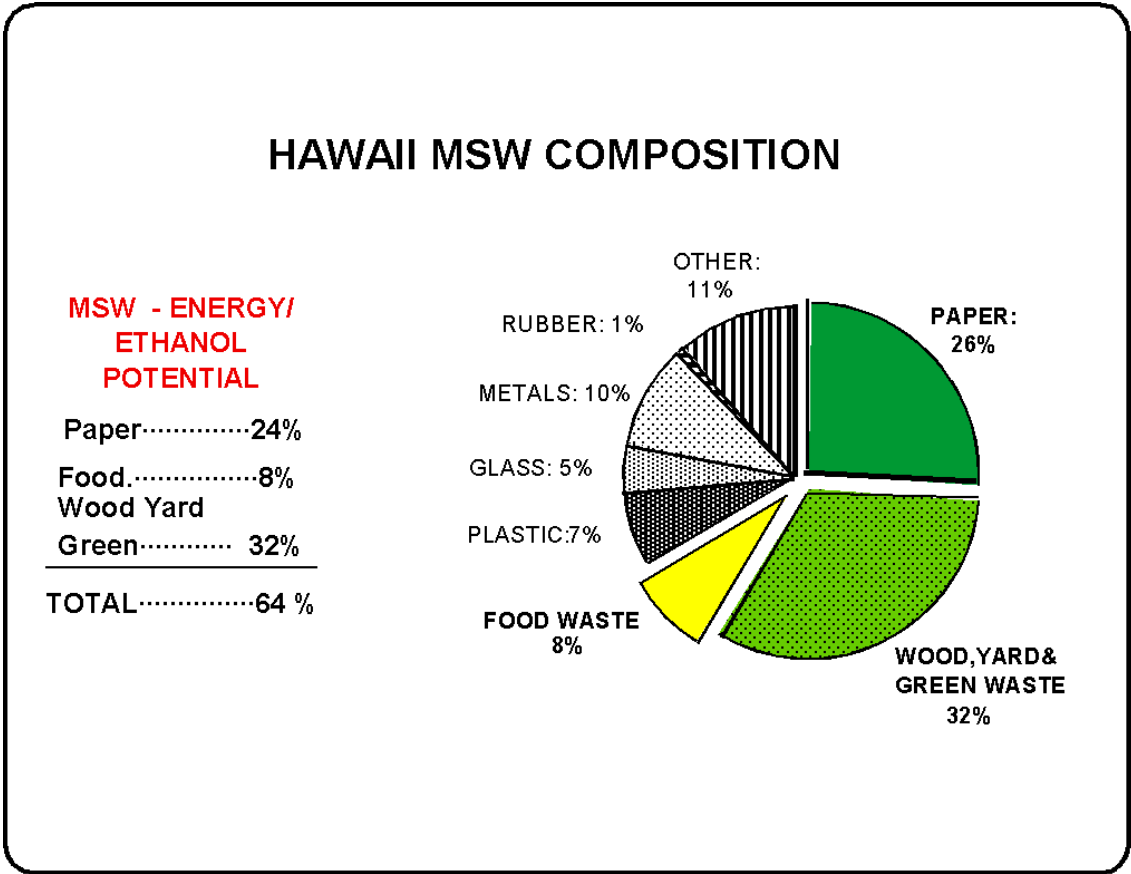
## BIOMASS COMPOSITION

(% by dry-weight)

Biomass Source	Sugars	Cellulose	Hemicellulose	Lignin	Other
Bagasse	3	38	27	20	12
Sugarcane ("prepared" cane)	43	22	15	11	9
Sugarcane leaves	--	36	21	16	27
Sugarcane (whole plant)	33	25	17	12	13
Napier grass	--	32	20	9	39
Sweet sorghum	34	36	16	10	3
Eucalyptus grandis	--	38	13	37	12
Eucalyptus saligna	--	45	12	25	18
Leucaena leucocephala	--	43	14	25	18
Municipal Solid Waste	--	33	9	17	41
Newspaper	--	62	16	21	1

## Sugar Crop Biomass



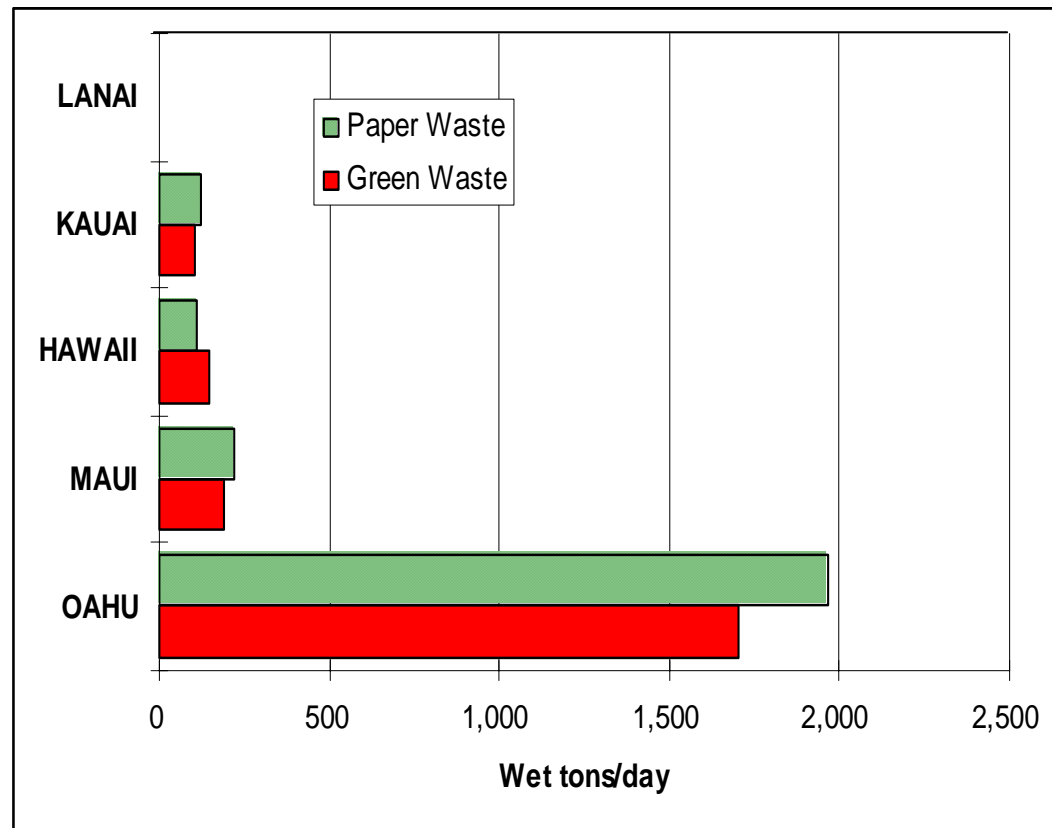




## There are major opportunities to produce biomass from waste

- Producing Ethanol from sugar limits opportunities
- Producing Ethanol from corn seed alone limits opportunities
- Substantial research has focused on producing ethanol from biomass and wastes
  - **CO<sub>2</sub> loss in fermentation reduces yields**
  - **Enzyme cost and performance must be considered.**
- Process costs and reliability are still major issues

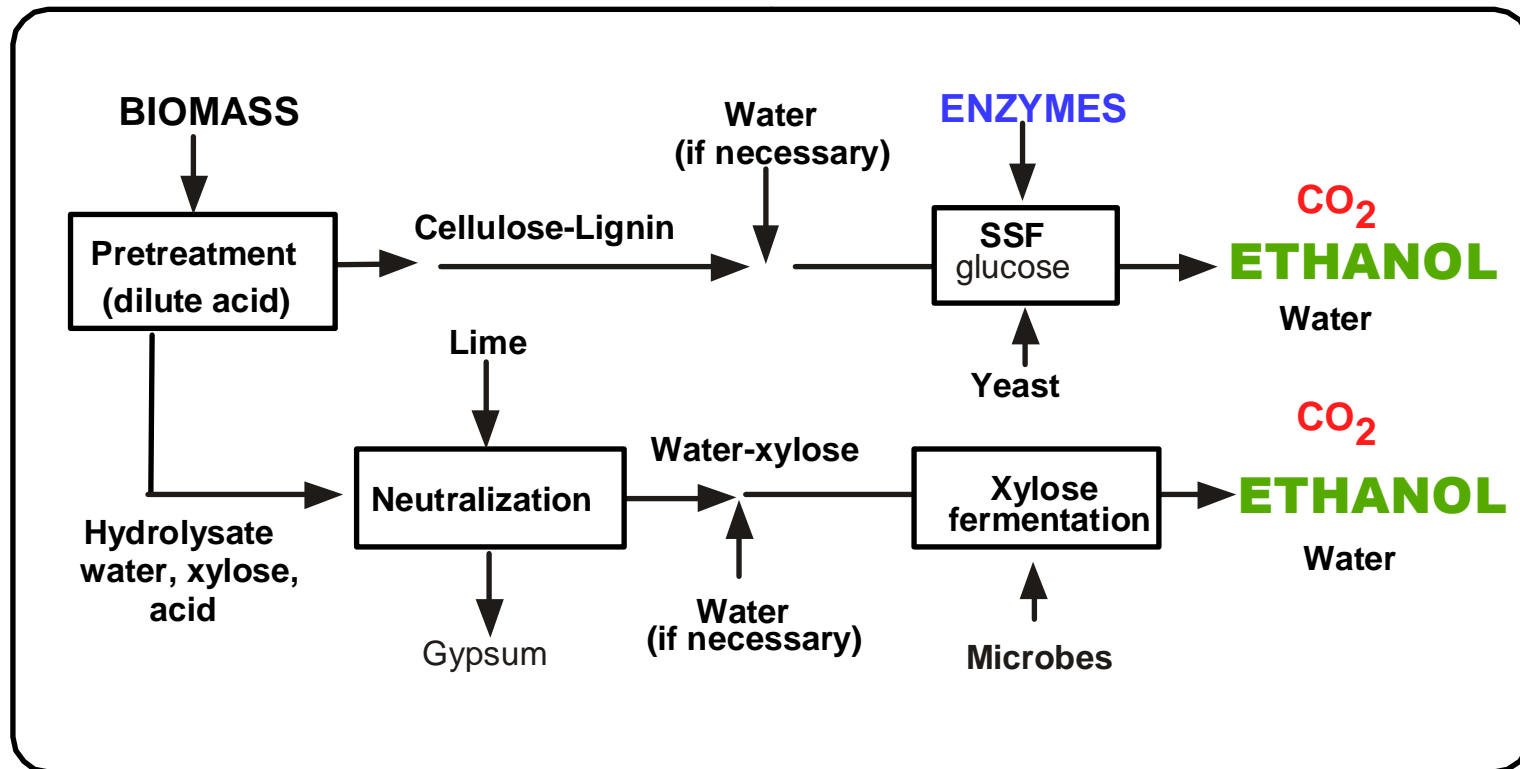
# Hawaii Paper & Green Waste



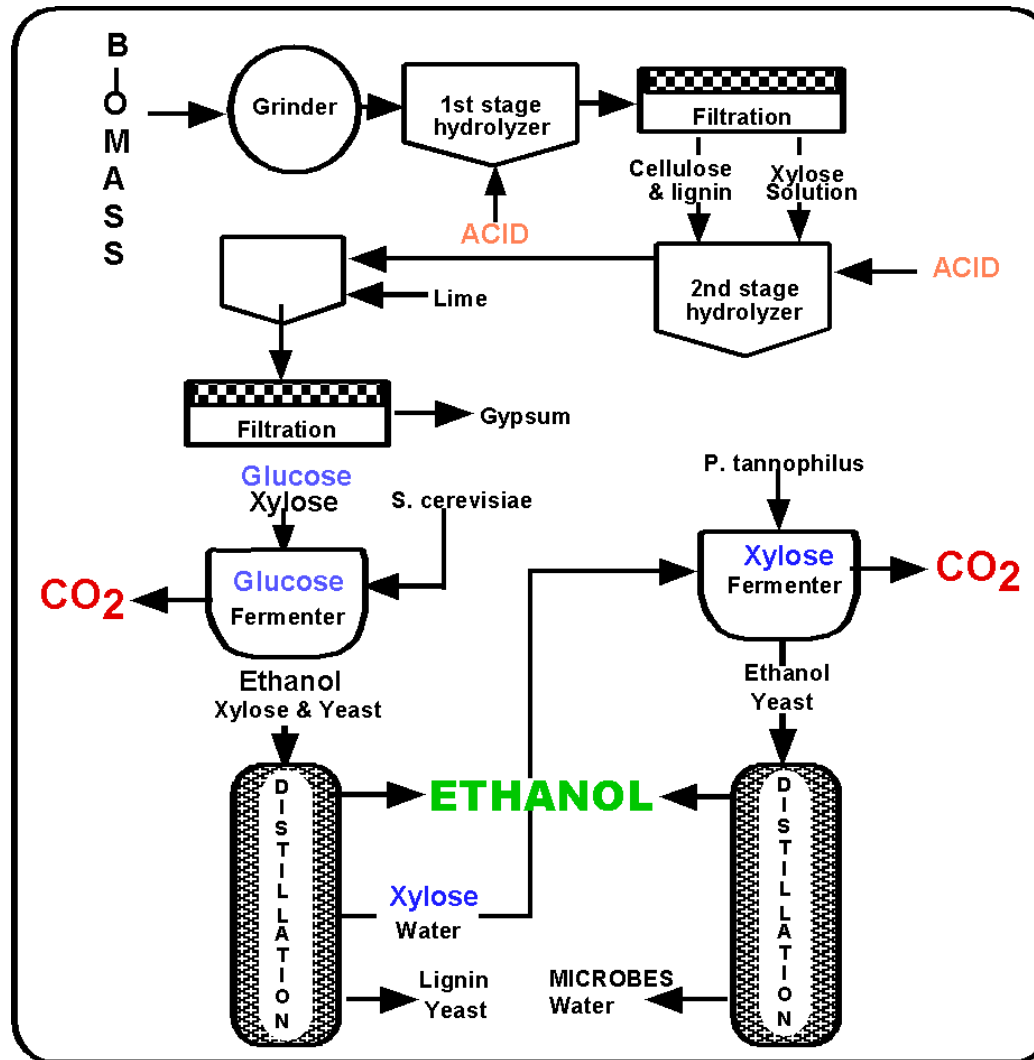
# TECHNOLOGY REVIEW

- A Brief Survey of Biomass-Ethanol Technologies
- A Look at Present and Future Opportunities

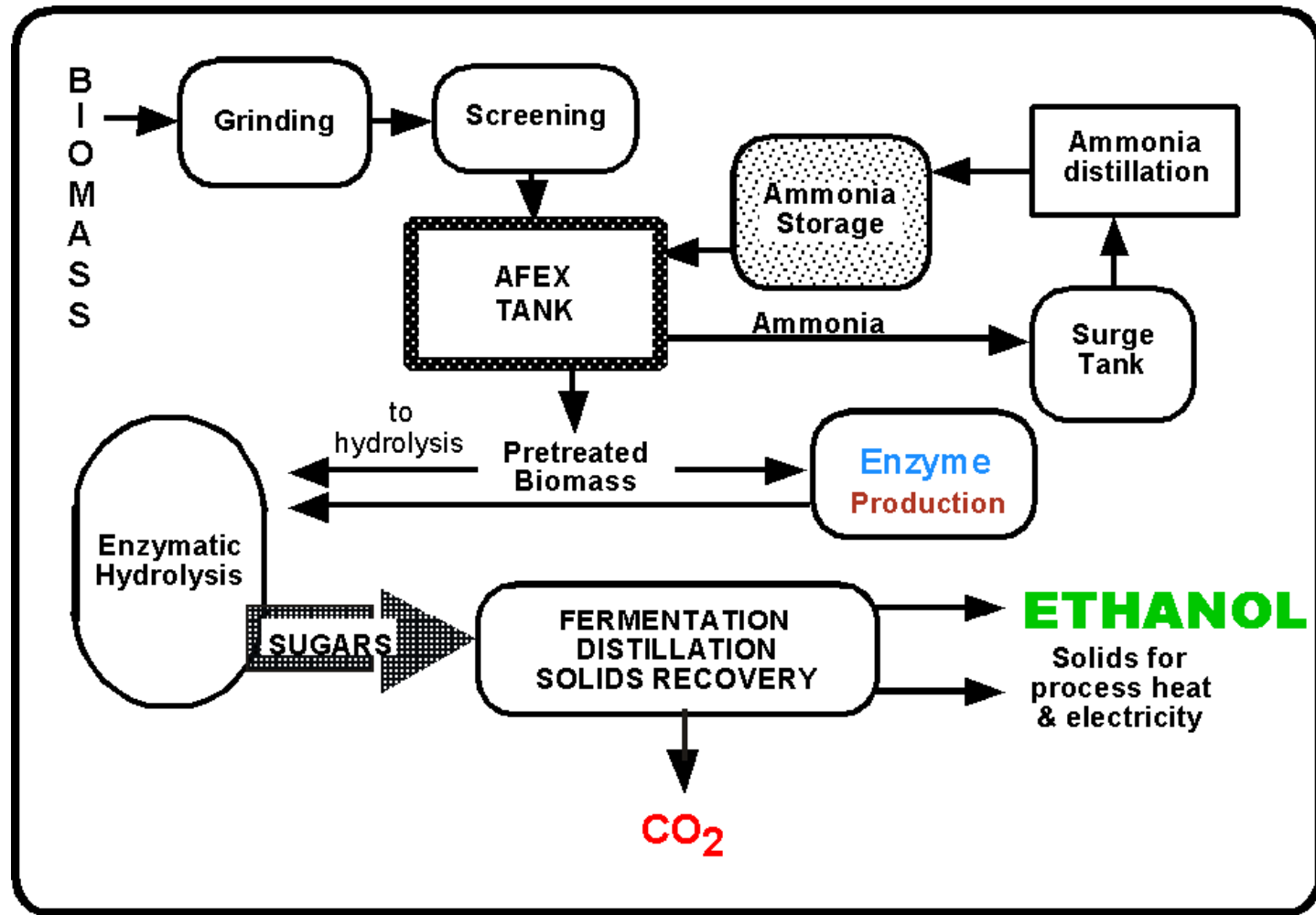
## SIMULTANEOUS SACCHARIFICATION and FERMENTATION



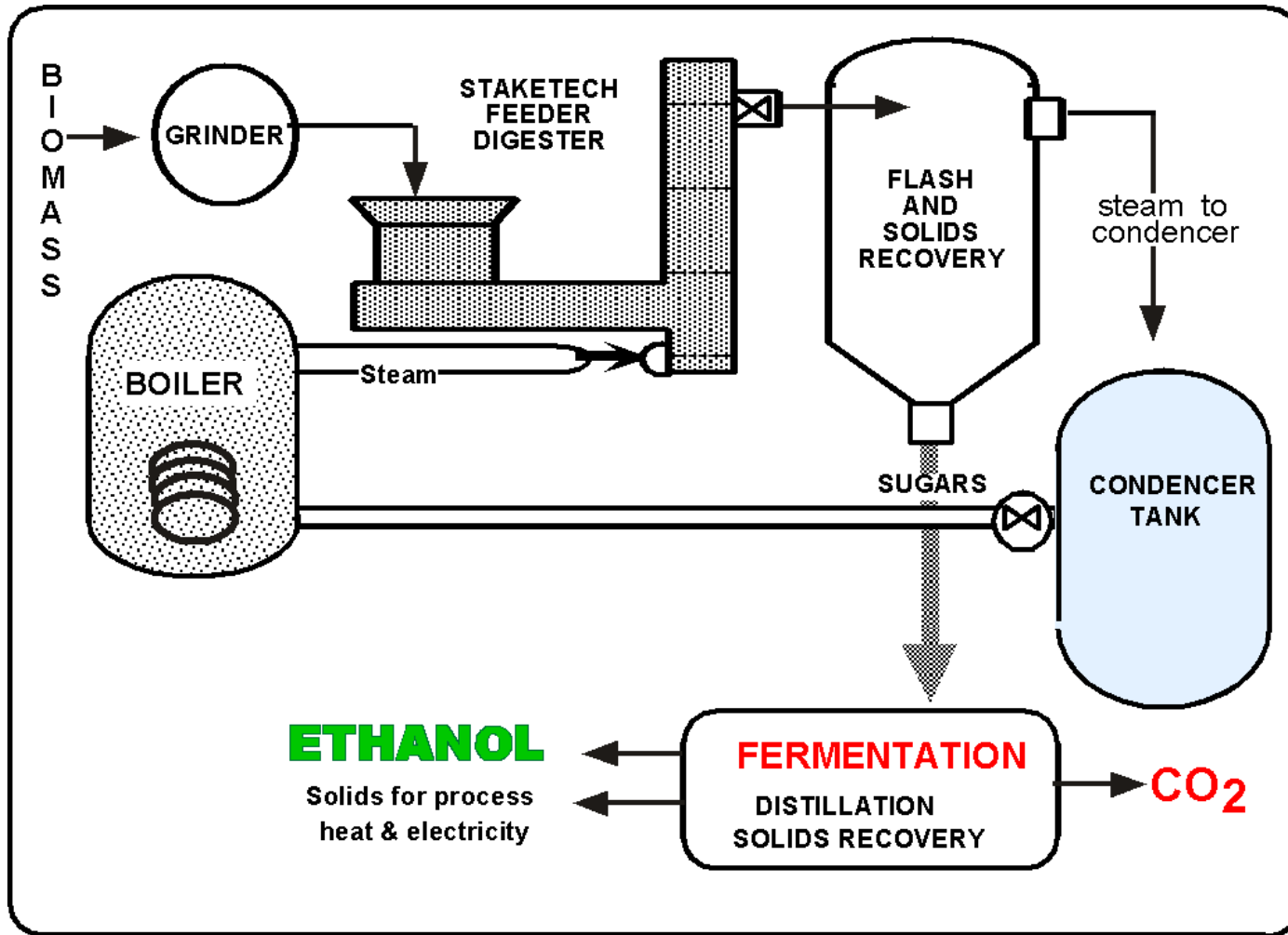
## CONCENTRATED ACID HYDROLYSIS NUTRALIZATION & FERMENTATION



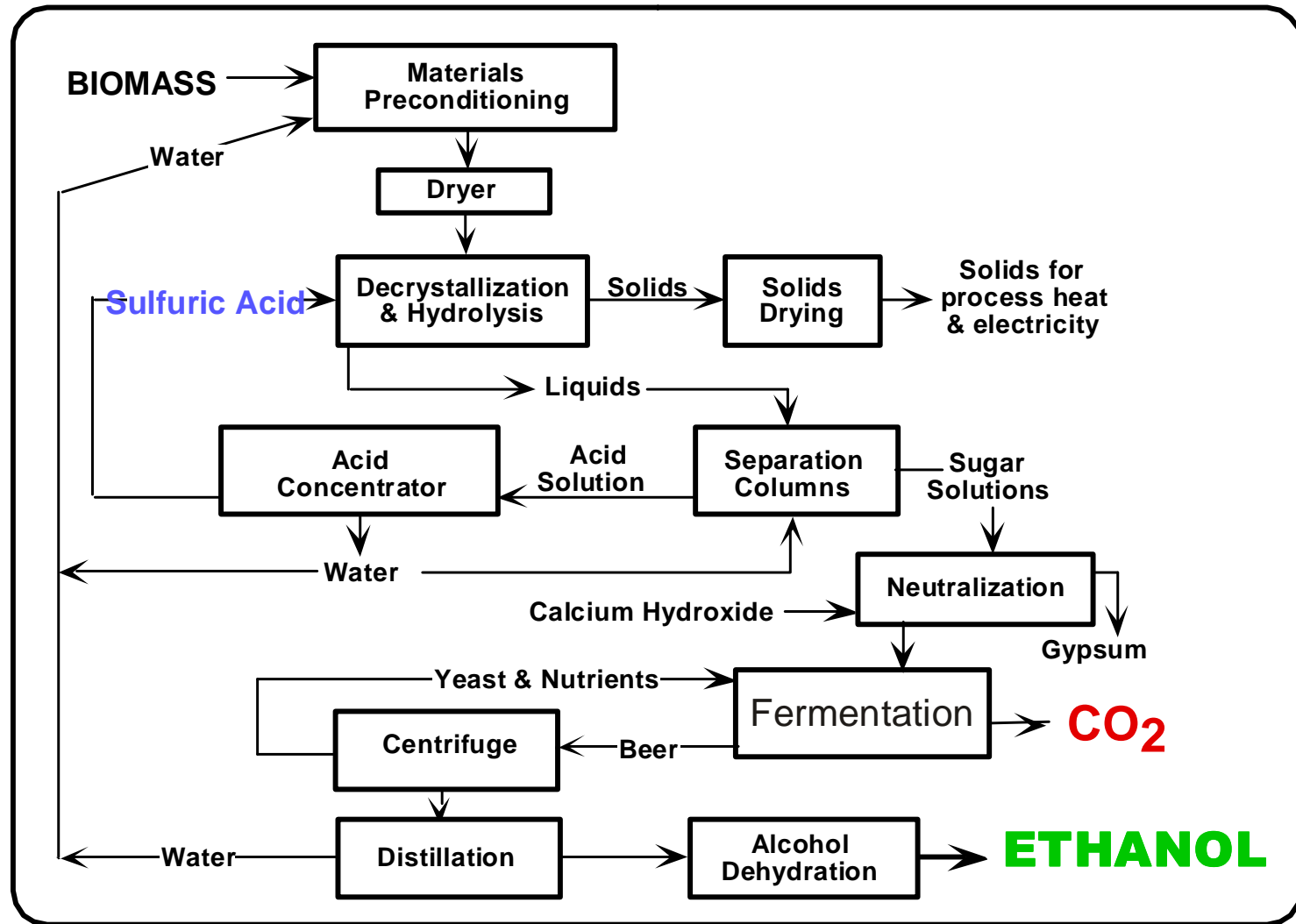
## AMMONIA DISRUPTION HYDROLYSIS & FERMENTATION



## STEAM DISRUPTION HYDROLYSIS FERMENTATION

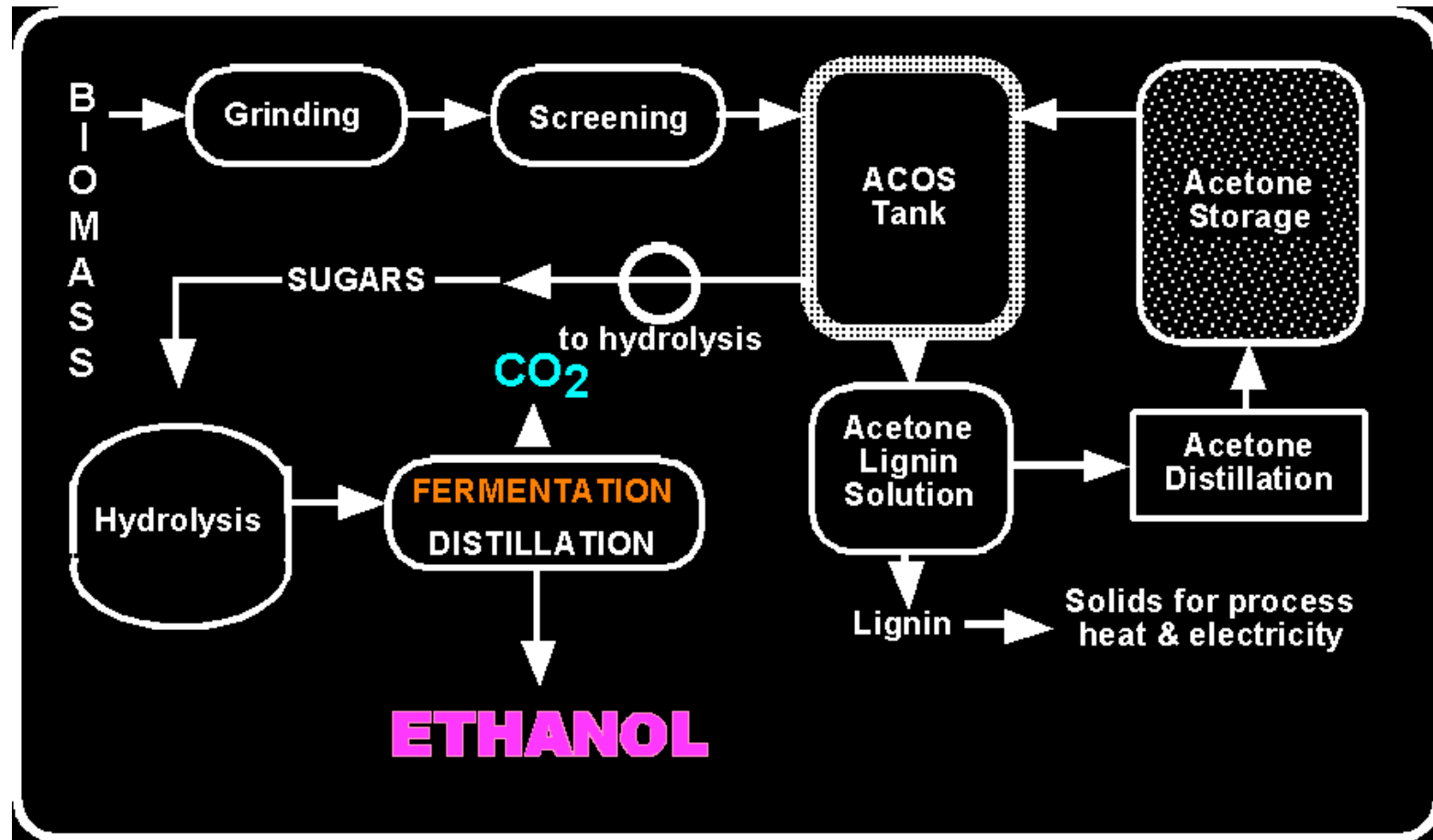


## CONCENTRATED ACID HYDROLYSIS, ACID RECYCLE, & FERMENTATION

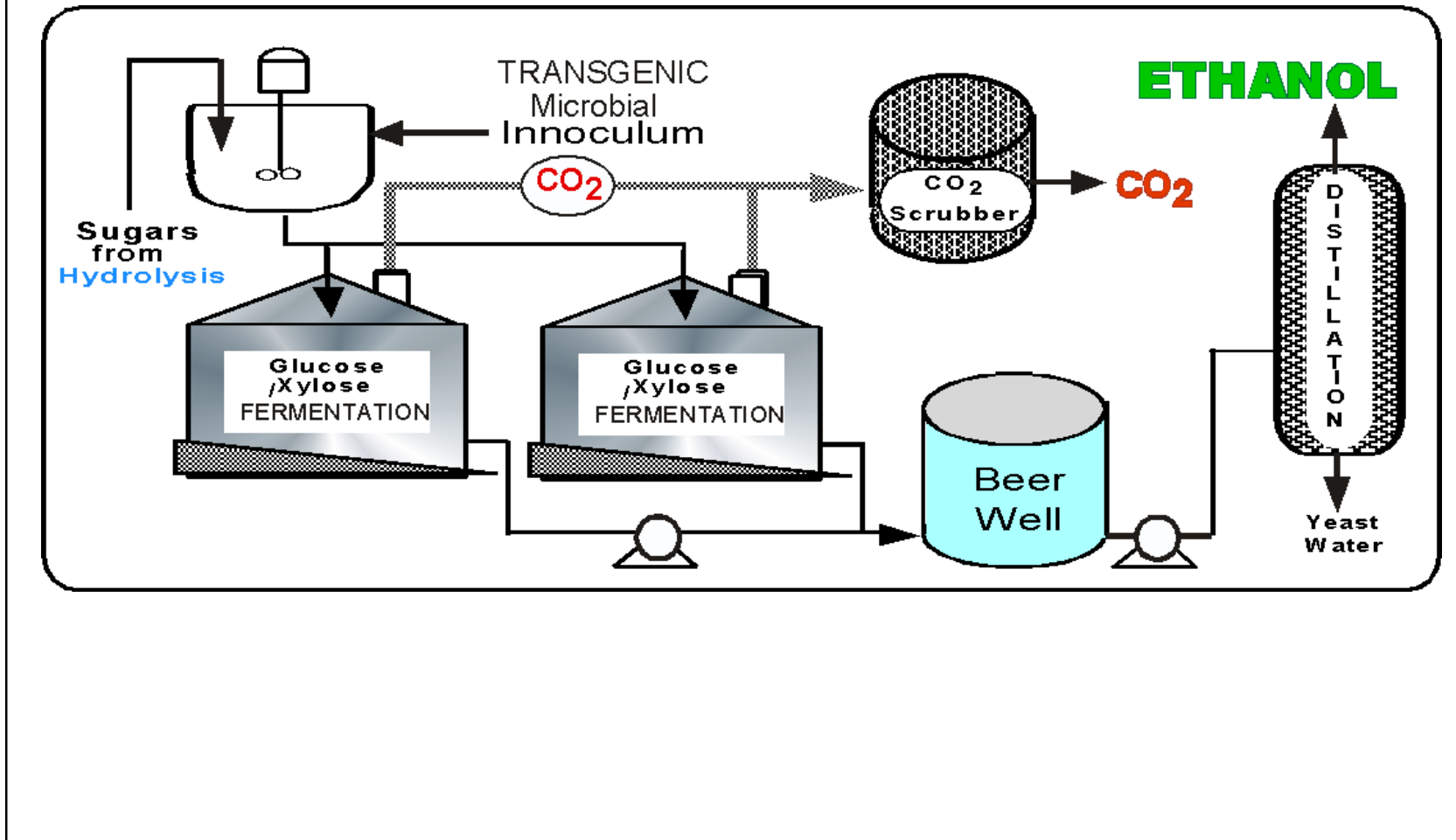




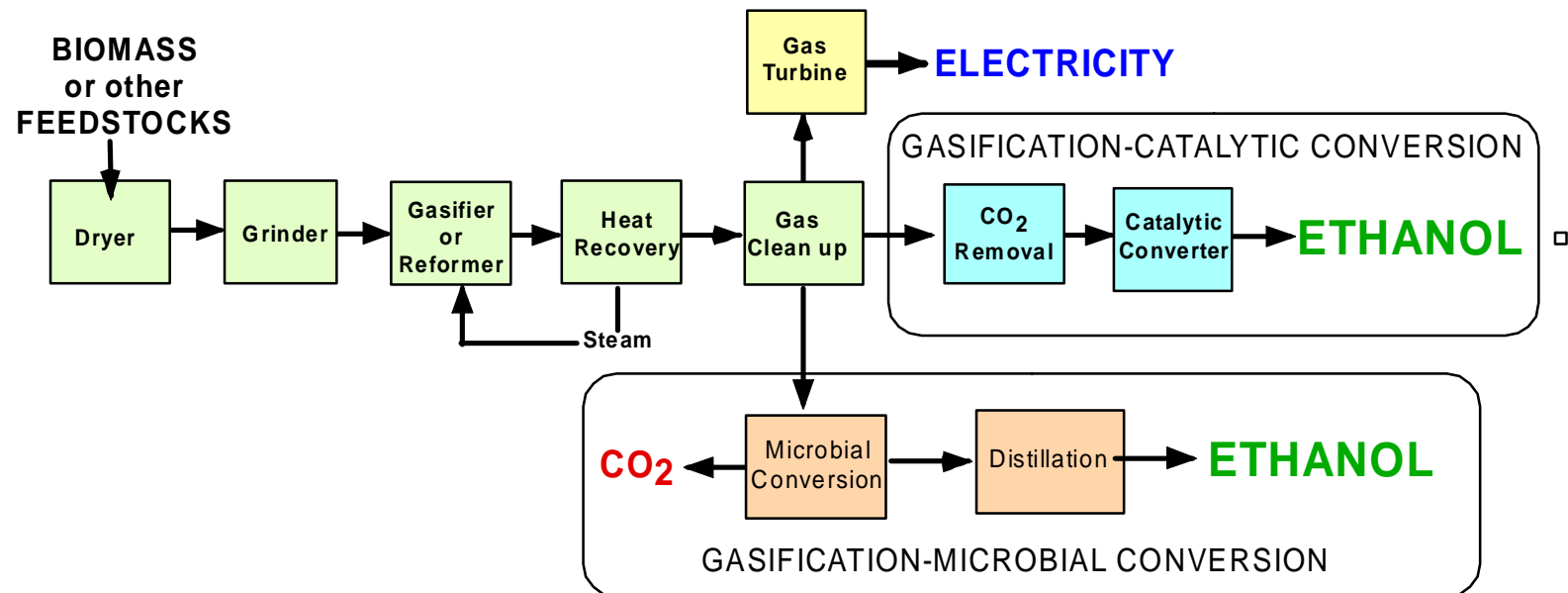
## ACIDIFIED ACETONE EXTRACTION HYDROLYSIS & FERMENTATION



## ACID DISRUPTION AND TRANSGENIC MICROORGANISM FERMENTATION

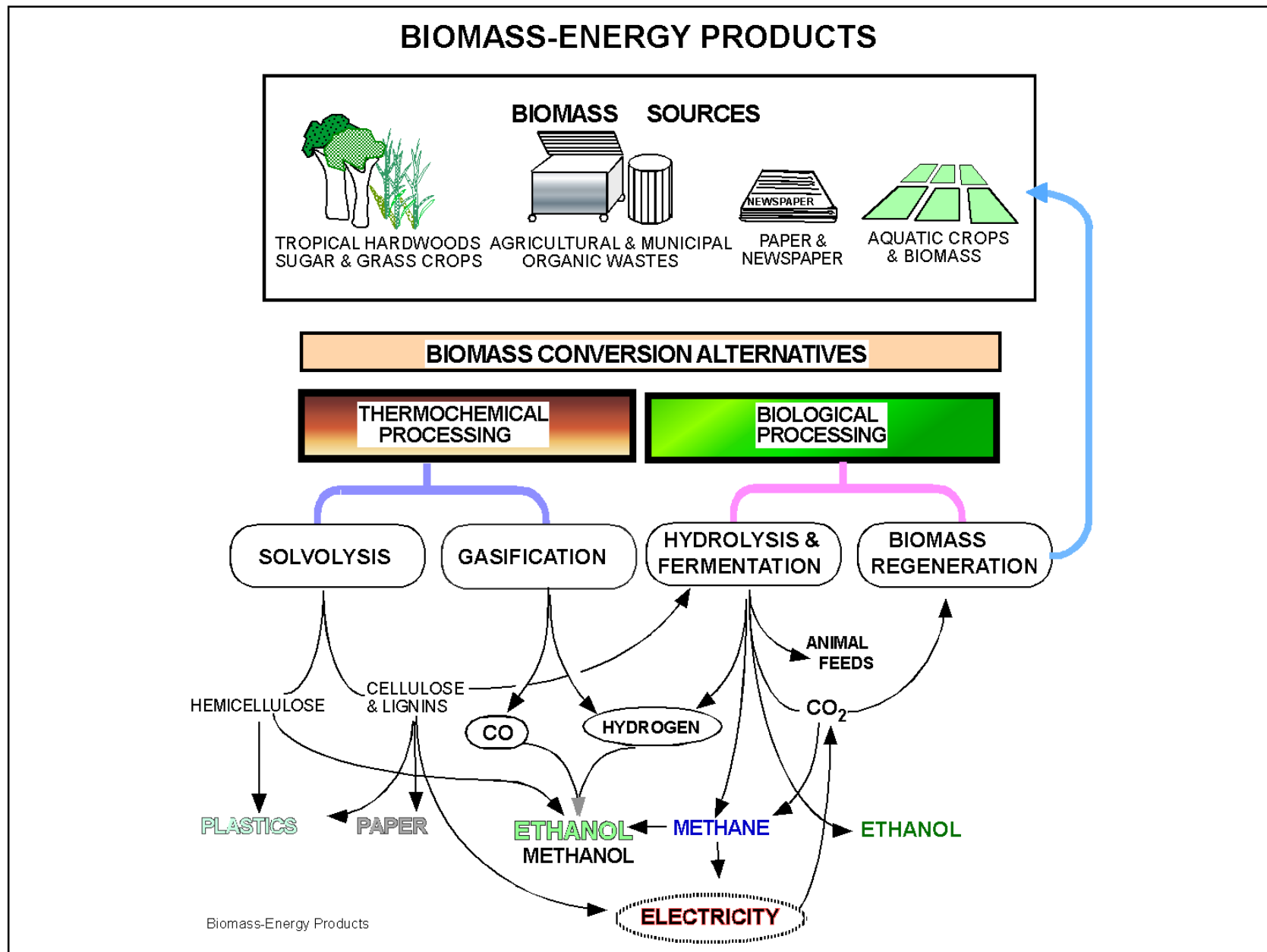


## GASIFICATION - ETHANOL TECHNOLOGY



## ETHANOL PROCESSES COMPARISONS

STATUS OF ETHANOL PRODUCTION TECHNOLOGY					
METHOD	PRODUCTS	ADVANTAGES	DISADVANTAGES	COMMENTS	YIELD (gal./dry ton)
Molasses > Fermentation> Ethanol	Ethanol , Carbon Dioxide, Concentrated Molasses solids	Simple traditional yeast fermentation method	Limited supply- Half sugar becomes carbon dioxide, residue is concentrated molasses solids / may have disposal problem	Depends on Molasses from sugar indstry Lack of efficiency, Only 50% of sugars converted to ethanol	70-80
<b>Corn</b> > Processing > <b>Fermentation</b> > Ethanol	Ethanol Distillers dried grains Carbon Dioxide	Good for corn industry	Not applicable to Hawaii at this time	Lack of efficiency, only 50% of sugars are converted to ethanol	110-120
Fiber treatment by acid, ammonia, steam, or solvents to release sugars that can be fermented to produce ethanol	Ethanol, Carbon Dioxide, Lignin (SSF-BCI)	Converts any fiber source including paper and yard waste to ethanol	Half sugar becomes carbon dioxide, residue may have disposal problem	Lack of efficiency, only 50% of sugars are converted to ethanol	50 - 90
Wood fiber and Carbon containing molecules>gasification> carbon monoxide>with <b>bioconversion&gt;ethanol</b>	Ethanol ,Water microbes	Can use most carbon containing materials that can be gasified to produce carbon monoxide and hydrogen	Depends on performance of microorganisms concerns about stability -reliability of culture	Technologies are not yet demonstrated commercially	80-100
Wood fiber and Carbon containing molecules>gasification> carbon monoxide/ hydrogen> <b>catalytic conversion &gt;ethanol</b>	Ethanol Butanol Propanol	Can use most carbon containing materials that can be gasified to produce carbon monoxide and hydrogen. Ethanol is produced as a gas	Sensitive to performance of catalyst	Technology not demonstrated commercially	180 +







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